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RAINFALL ABUNDANT FOR FIRST HALF OF NOVEMBER

LAKE BALATON-DANUBE AREA GETS 100 MILLIMETERS -- Szabad Szo, No 267, 17 Nov 49

Rainfall was abundant during the first half of November, especially between Lake Balaton and the Danube. This area received more than 100 millimeters of rain, which is double the average. Only very few areas in Hungary received less than 50 millimeters of rainfall. The central portion of Hungary received from 75 to 100 millimeters, while the eastern section received 50 to 75 millimeters of rainfall.

Precipitation in Budapest for the year thus far was 420 millimeters, 207 millimeters below the average. In Debrecen, rainfall to date for the year was 542 millimeters, only 40 millimeters below the average. Magyarovar County had the greatest amount of precipitation this year. Normally, Moson and Vas counties are the leaders. To date Magyarovar had 557 millimeters of rainfall, which is only 28 millimeters below the average.

TARGET DATE SET FOR PLOWING -- Szabad Nep, No 264, 13 Nov 49

The target date for plowing the planned 4,900,000 cadastral yokes throughout Hungary is 15 December 1949. To date, 2 million cadastral yokes have been plowed. It is important that plowing be completed on time, because sowing must begin at the designated time. Quite often if sowing is begun 5 or 6 days late, crop yields are decreased by 30 to 40 percent.

LAKE BALATON TO GET MORE FISH ROE -- Szabad Szo, No 263, 12 Nov 49

Prior to the war, Lake Balaton was stocked with only 100 centners of fish roe annually. Last year it was stocked with 350 centners. This year, the lake will receive 400 centners of fish roe while during the Five-Year Plan, it will be stocked with 400 - 600 centners annually.

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About 80 percent of the fish in Lake Balaton are dace. The remaining 20 percent consists of carp, perch, and catfish. About 25 centners of catfish have been placed in Lake Balaton this year. During the last 2 years, about 700 centners of carp have been stocked in the Danube and Tisza rivers.

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